

**A RESOLUTION**

2003-36-31

**SUPPORTING EFFORTS TO ATTRACT A MAJOR  
RETAIL BOOKSTORE TO SAN ANTONIO'S SOUTH SIDE  
AND THE EFFORTS OF "BOOKS IN THE BARRIO," A  
CITIZENS GROUP WORKING TOWARD ATTRACTING A  
BOOKSTORE TO THE CITY'S SOUTH SIDE; AS  
REQUESTED BY COUNCILMAN RICHARD PEREZ,  
DISTRICT 4.**

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**WHEREAS**, as a result of a variety of factors including the establishment of a Toyota manufacturing plant, the creation of a Texas A&M campus, and other exciting future prospects, the City of San Antonio's South Side is poised to become a burgeoning area of economic development for the entire city; and

**WHEREAS**, in order for this area of the City to grow and prosper, the South Side must possess a balanced mix of business, industry, recreational, educational and retail activity; and

**WHEREAS**, of the approximately 17 major retail bookstores located in San Antonio, none are currently located south of U.S. Highway 90, placing the citizens in these areas of the City at a disadvantage in relation to their ability to purchase, read, and enjoy newly published reading materials of all types, thereby, limiting the opportunities to expand their educational, recreational, and professional knowledge that is realized as a result of reading; and

**WHEREAS**, beginning in the late 1990's, a group of concerned students and teachers from South San Antonio High School and the surrounding community has engaged in an organized effort to draw attention to the lack of a bookstore in their community; and

**WHEREAS**, the City has actively pursued efforts to attract a bookstore to some part of the South Side via the use of innovative tools designed to facilitate this effort; and

**WHEREAS**, a broad-based group of concerned citizens working toward increasing opportunities for South Side residents through the establishment of a bookstore known as "Books in the Barrio," has emerged from the original group of concerned students and teachers to help champion this effort; **NOW THEREFORE**,

**BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN ANTONIO:**

**SECTION 1.** The City Council of the City of San Antonio hereby resolves to support the establishment of a bookstore on the South Side of San Antonio and further supports the efforts of "Books in the Barrio" to attract a major retail bookstore to the community and urges citizens, community groups and the business community to lend their support to this laudable effort.

**SECTION 2.** This Resolution shall become effective on and after the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) day after passage hereof.

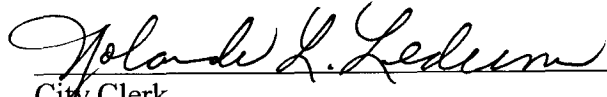
PASSED AND APPROVED this 9th day of OCTOBER 2003.




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**EDWARD D. GARZA**

ATTEST:

  
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City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

  
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for City Attorney